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NOBUYUKI HIRAYAMA)	<u> </u>
Application No.: 09/902,756	;)	Group Art Unit: 2622
Filed: July 12, 2001)	
For: PRINTHEAD, HEAD CARTRIDGE HAVING THE PRINTHEAD, PRINTING APPARATUS USING THE PRINTHEAD, AND PRINTHEA ELEMENT SUBSTRATE) :) D :)	October 17, 2002
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Each of the listed documents was cited in a Search Report from the European Patent Office in connection with a counterpart European application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

It is noted that EP 0 811 488 and JP 09-327914, listed on the Search Report, have previously been cited to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the Information Disclosure Statement dated February 22, 2002.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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